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FOURTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document was filed with the June 22, 2005 Third Information Disclosure Statement.

REMARKS

Applicants wish to advise that in the April 26, 2005 Japanese Official Action, a copy of which was submitted with the June 22, 2005 Third Information Disclosure Statement, the Examiner stated (a) that the claimed invention does not have novelty or inventive step over the cited document JP-A-7-131780 and (b) that transmission using spectrum diffusion is well known.

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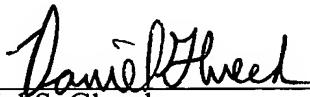
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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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April 26, 2005 Japanese Official Action in Japanese Patent Application No. 8-224914
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